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## A MEMORIAL IS PLANNED

### For the P.W.O. Regiment—More Government Assistance Is Necessary.

At the annual meeting of the officers of the Princess of Wales' Own Regiment, held Wednesday evening, it was decided to erect within the armories a memorial to all former members of the regiment who served overseas. The matter of arranging for this memorial was left in the hands of the following committee: Lieut.-Col. A. B. Cunningham, chairman; Lieut.-Col. R. E. Kent, Lieut.-Col. H. J. Dawson, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lieut.-Col. W. Y. Mills, Lieut.-Col. P. G. C. Campbell, Lieut.-Col. H. E. Pense, D.S.O., M.C., Major (Rev.) G. L. Starr, Major L. F. Goodwin, Major G. Bawden, Lieut. H. E. Law, Lieut. B. O. Smith.

The first duty of this committee will be to make a list of all former members of the regiment who served overseas. As it is expected that there will be about two thousand names on this list, it is important that no name should be overlooked. The relatives and friends of all former members of the battalion who served overseas are requested to send in their names to any member of this committee or to any officer of the regiment. A card index has already been prepared for the purpose of making up the list.

### All Who Served Overseas.

It does not matter when the man served in the old battalion, whether ten years ago or twenty-five years ago. It is intended to include in this list the names of all former members who have served overseas. When the list has been completed, the form of the memorial will be decided, but the present intention is to erect a brass tablet containing all the names, with those who were killed in the honor roll.

### Col. Pense's Report.

The report of the commanding officer, Lt.-Col. H. E. Pense, D.S.O., M.C., covered the period from September, 1919, (when the first steps of re-organization were taken) to March 31st, 1921. During that time the Regiment detailed a guard of honor on the occasion of the visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and three periods of training have been carried out. Major-General V. A. S. Williams, C.M.G., who was then commanding the district, inspected the first battalion in the winter of 1920-21, and the unit was recently given a second inspection by the present general officer commanding the district, Brig.-Gen. W. M. King, C.M.G., D.S.O.

The affiliation with the regiment of three C.E.F. units has been effected, the colors of the 21st Battalion, C.E.F., now being in its custody. Since re-organization, 410 W.O.s, N.C.O.s, and men have been taken on the strength. During three weeks ending October 23rd, 1919, 126 were enlisted. From November 24th, 1919, to June 22nd, 1920, 184 recruits (and again a large percentage of them experienced soldiers) were attested. During the recent training period from January 20th, 1921, to March 10th, 1921, 199 were added to the strength. Two units have been recruited in the regimental area since the war. One company of the 4th Machine Gun Brigade and "A" Company of the Frontiers Regiment have taken from 150 to 175 men, the bulk of whom would have been seen in the P. W. O. ranks.

### More Government Aid Needed.

The commanding officer, in his annual report, expressed the opinion of the officers of the regiment that it is absolutely necessary for the government to give additional financial assistance if the work entailed in the proper administration and training of an infantry battalion is to be executed in an efficient manner. The executive work has increased to such an extent that available funds are not sufficient to defray the expense of the assistance required. The officers reached a decision regarding this matter, it being left in the hands of the regimental committee for action. The C. O. signed his opposition to officers, after contributing all their pay, making private contributions to support the regiment.

In his report the C. O. brought to attention the question of the erection of a memorial to those of the regiment who fell in the great war. Since the middle of January six new officers have been appointed, namely, Capt. Jones, Lieut. Ponsford, Lieut. Kelly, Germain and Hewgill. During that time "D" company has been re-organized, 90 per cent. of this of the K. C. I. Cadets, all with certificates as signallers, form the signal section under an overseas N. C. O. An officer is required to take charge of this section. Under Captain Jones the bearer section has been organized and is almost up to strength. Three pipers have been enlisted and a combined pipe and bugle band paraded with the brass band for the recent inspection of the general officer commanding.

## A COMPLETE BREAK-UP

### Of Proposed Miners Conference—Railwaymen to Support Strike.

London, April 7.—National union of railwaymen to-day unanimously decided to support the coal miners in their strike. A complete break-up of the conference between representatives of the miners, owners and government, with a view to settling the coal strike, was announced in the house of commons by Premier Lloyd George this afternoon. In most districts of the South Wales coal fields the extremists are winning the day. In one colliery after another the officials are being compelled to abandon the pumps. Unless something is done to save the mines from the rushing water, the damage will be so extensive that 70,000 miners will be deprived of the opportunity of employment for months.

In practically every mining area throughout Lanarkshire the menacing attitude is shown by the miners and the wives to the volunteers who are working pumps. There have been demonstrations and scufflings at several pits, necessitating police intervention. At some places there has been much wanton damage, accompanied by looting. Lloyd George, speaking in the commons to-night, regretted the miners' federation could not see their way to give instructions to the pumpmen to resume work during the negotiations, and he appealed to the miners' representatives in the house to exercise their influence to induce the federation to re-consider that decision.

### DRAYTON HAS TO DIG UP \$130,000,000

### The Task of the Finance Minister Is an Unenviable One.

Ottawa, April 7.—With the fiscal year at an end, and facing the necessity of finding ways and means to provide for the staggering expenditures called for during that which is to come, Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, is probably the most worried person in the government. It is his task to provide during the coming year revenues in excess of those which have been taxed from the people during the year just ended, by the sum of about \$130,000,000. This for the main estimates alone. Supplementaries are not yet down. Customs have always provided the bulk of Canadian revenues, and it is only within recent years that indirect taxation has figured in the receipts at all. And customs revenues are falling away. So that altogether the task of the minister is an unenviable one.

### PREMIER WARNED G.T.R. ON 31ST OF MARCH

### Extension of Time Conditional Upon Possession and Control of Road.

Ottawa, April 7.—A warning to Sir Alfred Smithers, chairman of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, that consideration of the application of the company to the government for extension of time in the arbitration proceedings and for further advances must be conditional on the government obtaining possession and control of the railway, was given by Hon. Arthur Meighen, prime minister of Canada, in a cable to London, dated March 31st. This cable was included in the correspondence between the government and the Grand Trunk directors, tabled in the house yesterday afternoon by the prime minister. The correspondence begins with a letter on February 9th and continues through until April 3rd, when a cable was sent to Sir Alfred Smithers saying that if the company gave the necessary consent to put the government into immediate possession of the road the government would extend the time for the arbitration award being completed.

### GOVERNMENT ACCEPTS COMMISSION'S REPORT

### It Is Said the Grants Will Not Be as High as First Proposed.

Intimation comes from Toronto that the Drury government decides to adopt the recommendations of the university commission regarding the grants proposed. Less generous annual grants will be given. Through a definite system, it is proposed to dig away with the present method of meeting deficits.

Premier Drury and his cabinet are to-day deciding whether the royal commission's report on university financing will be considered by the legislature this session or not. Hon. R. H. Grant hopes to induce the premier to go on with it. Principal Taylor, Queen's University, and W. F. Nickle, Kingston, saw the premier this morning. The commission's report calls for \$2,225,000 to be spent on Toronto, Queen's and Western Universities. It is learned on good authority that the Ontario government does not intend to adopt the report of the University Commission in so far as it respects financing.

### How Sinn Feiners Received Their Arms

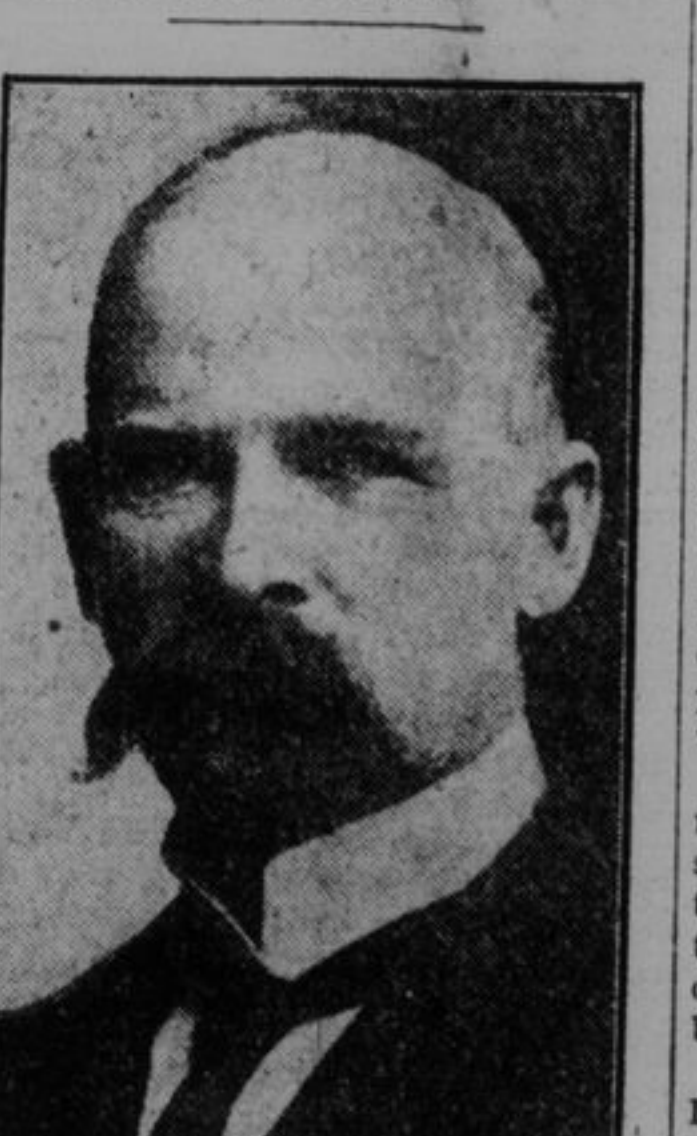
London, April 7.—Methods by which the Sinn Feiners are receiving arms and ammunitions have been disclosed by the discovery of an underground dump in Dublin, says the Evening Standard to-day. Ammunition boxes found there, it declares, bear the stamp of a powder works in Massachusetts. The boxes, the newspaper asserts, were shipped by Irish-American sympathizers who had established wireless communication between "gunrunners" on the west coast of Ireland and in the United States.

Guelph is out of debt to the Hydro-electric system.

## SENATE TO DEBATE THE G.T.R. SITUATION

### Senator Casgrain Will Raise the Question—Federal Road Grants.

Ottawa, April 7.—In the Senate, Senator J. P. B. Casgrain will call attention to the railway problem in Canada with particular reference to the Grand Trunk. Senators Sharpe (Manitoba), Todd (New Brunswick), Girroir (Nova Scotia), and Barnard (British Columbia), gave notice yesterday of inquiry regarding the agreement to spend federal money on highways in their respective provinces, the roads, the amounts expended, and the amounts paid. Sir James Loughheed informed Senator Bostock that any messages of communications between the Canadian government and the British government with reference to the appointment of successor to the present governor-general were of necessity of a confidential character and could not be produced. Senator Bostock was also informed that no calls had been purchased for the Kamloops-Kelowna railway, and it had not been decided when track laying would be commenced. He was further informed that the Pacific Coast fisheries treaty had not been ratified by the governments of the United States and Canada.



### DR. FRED TORRANCE

Veterinary-general of Canada, who told a committee of parliament that pasteurizing milk was not sufficient, that every dairy herd should be subject to the tubercular test.

### LIVED IN NORTHLAND

### And Found the Indians Careful and Helpful.

Winnipeg, April 7.—Eleven years in the northland as chief fire ranger with jurisdiction over 50,000 square miles of territory, is the record of J. T. Blackford, who recently arrived here from Norway House. Mr. Blackford has resigned his position and intends staying in more civilized parts for a while. Within the territory under Mr. Blackford six Indian reservations are located and there are about 4,000 Indians in the district. The territory extends from Lake Winnipeg to Hudson's Bay and as far east as the Ontario boundary. Mr. Blackford, who was the first fire ranger in the district, organized it and now twenty rangers are on the staff. In all the time he was at Norway House, Mr. Blackford had no trouble with the Indians, he declared. As far as fires are concerned, the white traveller is far more careless, he said.

### NOT "THAT POOR PRUNE" SAY HIS COLLEAGUES

### Baptist Ministers Concede Right of Rev. G. A. Hughson to Secede.

London, Ont., April 7.—That Rev. G. A. Hughson, of Stratford, who recently tendered his resignation as a Baptist minister there to take up his pastorate with the Presbyterian church, was fully justified in taking the course his conscience dictated is the consensus of opinion among Baptist ministers in London. "Rev. Mr. Hughson was merely exercising the right to free thought as permitted by the Baptist church," declared Rev. J. A. Norton, pastor of the Maitland Street Baptist church, in supporting the action of Mr. Hughson. The Baptist pastors of London referred to by Rev. G. N. Leichter, of Adelaide street Baptist church, referred to Mr. Hughson as "that poor prune in Stratford."

### 1700 HOUSES BURNED IN TOKYO CONFLAGRATION

Tokyo, April 7.—An immense conflagration is raging here and is still spreading. Seventeen hundred houses have been lost in the fire. Fifty persons were injured.

### TO USE THE RIVER

### For Carrying Coal To the Eastern Sections.

Edmonton, Alta., April 7.—A suggestion that the Saskatchewan river route be used for moving Edmonton coal east, enabling the cost of transportation to be greatly reduced, was recently made by R. Cunningham, assistant engineer of the Dominion public works agency here. He claims that the river route to northern Saskatchewan points, and even to Winnipeg, is not only feasible but would solve the problem of shipping local mined coal to the eastern markets. Tobacco Merger Proposed. Montreal, April 7.—There is a rumor on the street to the effect that a big deal is about to be effected whereby the Imperial Tobacco Company will secure control of the W. C. Macdonald, Limited, tobacco manufacturing interests. Two million dollars is the sum mentioned in connection with the sale.

## SIR THOMAS WHITE QUILTS

### Resigns As Member For Leeds—Catholic Labor Union Controversy.

Ottawa, April 7.—Speaker Rhodes announced at the opening of the house this afternoon, that he had received the resignation of Sir Thomas White, as member for Leeds and Brockville. Sir Thomas, who resigned his position as finance minister some years ago, accepted the position as government representative on the Grand Trunk board of arbitration. Considerable controversy arose as to the situation created by his acceptance of a position of employment under the crown, it being held by various legal authorities that by doing so he had forfeited his seat. A legal opinion was, however, secured from the justice department to the effect that, while not having forfeited his seat, his salary should be provided for by a special appropriation of parliament, and that it be stipulated that this was done, notwithstanding anything in the House of Commons act to the contrary. The announcement of his resignation was greeted with opposition applause. Sir Thomas was a member of parliament since 1911. Catholic Labor Union. On motion to go into supply, Ernest Lapointe, of East Quebec, rose to discuss the controversy which had arisen regarding the application of the National Catholic Labor union for right to representation on various labor boards. Mr. Lapointe explained that the union comprised 40,000 persons, and believed it had a right to such representation. The minister declined to grant the request, and, for some unknown reason, started a violent onslaught on the union, declaring that its operations were nefarious and that the other labor unions would refuse to be associated with it. The minister of labor said Mr. Lapointe had no right to side with any one union against any other. Mr. Lapointe did not believe that the working men of Canada would refuse to sit in conference with brother workers of another organization. The attitude of the minister, however, had been endorsed by Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress.

### VETERANS ABANDON SOME QUEBEC FARMS

### 186 Out of 219 Remain—Money Lost on Lands Resold.

Ottawa, April 7.—E. W. Tobin, the member for Richmond, Wolfe county, Que., has asked a series of questions with regard to seven Quebec counties in which farms were bought by the Soldiers' Settlement Board on account of returned men who wanted to take up farming. The answers to these, as tabled in seven different documents to-day, are interesting, in showing the measure of success obtained so far in placing men who could really enjoy life on the land. Out of 219 placed on the land in these seven counties, 33 have abandoned the farms thus chosen for them, or more than one out of seven. This average would probably be found to exist throughout Canada. Of the 33 farms thus thrown back on the hands of the Soldiers' Settlement Board 14 have been resold, and 19 are not yet disposed of. In disposing of the 14 farms the board suffered a loss of \$2,100, and the loss on the other 19 could not be ascertained until they are sold. The total amount invested in these farms was \$881,541. The average cost of these farms ran from \$3,528 in one county, to \$4,266 in another. The seven counties concerned are as follows: Drummond—Arthabasca, Sheford, Richmond and Wolf, Stanstead, Missisquoi, Brome and Compton.

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## Naval Units Are Held in Readiness

### Queenstown, Ireland, April 7.—Naval units here and at other home ports have been instructed, as the result of the strike of the British miners, to hold themselves in readiness for emergency service. Shore leave has been curtailed, even officers being required to return to their ships by 8.30 o'clock in the evening. Naval officials view the situation as being filled with the gravest possibilities.

### OTTAWA PLUMBERS' PAY

### Employers Offer 75c., While Men Ask \$1 an Hour.

Ottawa, April 7.—There is a strong possibility of a walkout of union plumbers in the city, according to an official of the union who declared that the reduction in wages from 80 to 75 cents an hour, decided upon by the master plumbers would not be tolerated by the union. The plumbers, in fact, had set forth demands for a wage scale of \$1 an hour. Union officials declared that if the contractors stood by their decision to lower the rate of pay a strike would almost certainly occur on May 1st.

### SINN FEIN FLYING COLUMNS OPERATING

Belfast, April 7.—Flying columns of Sinn Feiners are operating in County Tyrone. Several barracks were attacked with bombs, but the attackers were driven off.

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## GIVE RIGHT TO APPEAL

### In O.T.A. Cases—Doherty's Denial About His Office Furniture.

Toronto, April 7.—In the legislature yesterday afternoon Hon. W. E. Roney introduced what he said would be the only amendments to the Ontario Temperance act this session. The bill provides for giving the right of appeal in cases coming under the O.T.A. to the senior county judge on the record of the evidence before the magistrate. The bill will also amend the O.T.A. leaving export business in the hands of the dominion government. Bonded warehouses will be exempt from the provisions of the O.T.A. Hon. H. C. Nixon brought in a bill amending the Marriage act. It provides for the registration of all persons qualified to perform the marriage ceremony. It also enables a duly ordained woman to perform the ceremony. Municipal clerks are ex-officio made issuers of marriage licenses. All present permits to issue marriage licenses will be automatically cancelled by the bill.

### The Furniture Bill.

Before the orders of the day were called, Hon. Manning Doherty rose on a question of privilege to contradict reports of extravagant expenditure for elaborate furniture in his private room at the parliament buildings. He said that in dozens of papers throughout the province it had appeared that among the articles in his room were a mahogany chair, costing \$185, and a mahogany rocker at \$190. "Those articles were never in the room and were never purchased by the department of public works for this room," said Hon. Mr. Doherty. "It's like the coal scuttle," said J. W. Curry.

### "Bald Statement"

Hon. G. H. Ferguson said the public accounts committee was the proper place for the minister to make his statement. Hon. G. S. Henry said the minister should not expect the house to be satisfied with "a bald statement in the house." The statements which had appeared in the press were based on the reports of the proceedings before the public accounts committee. It would be well to wait until the report of those proceedings was brought down. Hon. Mr. Doherty said he had consulted the deputy minister of public works, who said the articles were not purchased for the minister of agriculture's room, and that evidence had not been given before the public accounts committee.

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## Still Another Penitentiary Investigation; Two Dismissed Officials Get a Hearing

W. F. Nickle, K.C., has been appointed to preside at an investigation into the cases of two officials of the Portsmouth penitentiary against whom serious charges had been preferred, and who, upon the action of the superintendent of penitentiaries, W. S. Hughes, were suspended indefinitely. This was several months ago, and the officials have since been carrying on an uninterrupted agitation for a re-hearing with a view to clearing their characters which they felt had been besmirched after many years faithful service. Francis King, barrister, has been appointed to represent the government while the officials will have their own lawyer, a privilege that was denied to them when the charges were made against them. It is expected that the cases will bring to light some interesting sidelights on the internal management of the penitentiary, which includes the female department. The charges are said to have originated among the female prisoners.